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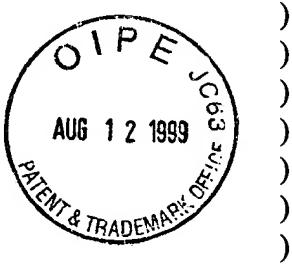
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AMENDMENT RESPONSIVE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action dated May 12, 1999, please amend the claims of the above-identified application as follows.

Sub D1 ~~30. (Twice Amended) A method of making a baked product having improved anti-staling properties, the method comprising the steps of:~~

Ex ~~forming a baking dough by combining flour, yeast, water, and water-soluble polydextrose anti-staling agent in an amount effective to reduce staling without causing undue dough stickiness [of about 1 percent to about 10 percent by weight, based on the weight of the flour]; and baking the dough.~~

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